

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Customer No. : 23911

Title : Semiconductor Device and Method for Manufacturing the
Same

REPLY

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the non-final Office Action dated July 13, 2007, the period for response having been extended to January 13, 2008 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time. **An extension of the deadline for response to the Office Action is respectfully requested pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the appropriate fee is submitted herewith.**

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. *Additional claims fees are submitted herewith.*

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.